

## Statement by Representative Robert Wexler

"The American public is deeply concerned about President Bush's lack of accountability regarding claims alleging Iraqi weapons of mass destruction and the information used by his Administration as justification for Operation Iraqi Freedom. It is critical that the Administration answer questions regarding the use and nature of its intelligence gathering. I urge the President to be forthright, comprehensive and provide the public with the intelligence and information they so rightfully deserve. I support the creation of an independent commission because the manner in which President Bush led this nation to war has endangered the credibility of the United States as we ask the world to join us in combating global terror and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. If President Bush hopes to redeem America's credibility in the eyes of the world, he must demonstrate through an open and bi-partisan investigation that he did not take America to war on false pretenses," Wexler said.